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13. ABSTRACT (Maximum 200 Words)

This project seeks a quantitative description of the dynamics of homeostatic and circadian influences on human sleep/wake patterns, cognitive and psychomotor performance. Equations have been developed by R. Kronauer and M. Jewett for the circadian/homeostatic interaction, as well as for the photic entrainment of the circadian pacemaker. [See Journal of Biological Rhythms, December 1999, Vol. 14, Issue 6 for a complete statement of these models.] Data from human forced desynchrony trials were used to test and evaluate the model, and to estimate parameters. Predictions were examined for measures of cognitive throughput as well as for measures of subjectively-assessed fatigue. Effects of caffeine were studied. Software incorporating the mathematical model and findings from several empirical studies was developed to simulate and predict human performance in a variety of sleep/wake routines.

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## 1. Cover Sheet

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## 2. Objectives

As included in the original application for the Army "Young Investigator Program":

- 1) To refine mathematical models that accurately predict the homeostatic (sleep/wake) and circadian regulation of human subjective alertness, cognitive throughput, psychomotor vigilance, and short-term memory during sleep deprivation and circadian misalignment.
- 2) To validate these models using data from sleep deprivation studies that were initiated across the full circadian cycle.
- 3) To incorporate into these models the effects of a frequent low-dose caffeine regimen on human alertness and performance in order to determine the appropriate use of caffeine as a countermeasure to the impairment caused by sleep deprivation and circadian misalignment.

## 3. Status of effort

Specific aims 1 and 2 are complete. Results from the refined and validated models were presented in manuscripts and at meetings (see listing below). Work on specific aim3 is in progress. We have completed preparing the data for unblinding (caffeine/placebo) and then incorporation into the model. We will continue to work on this project, even though this grant has ended.

## 4. Accomplishments/New Findings

Please see the published manuscripts, reports, and presentations listed below.

In addition, the software for use of the refined and validated model is available at: <http://dsm.bwh.harvard.edu/bmu/cpss>. This software has been distributed to 134 sites. More information is contained in the Transitions section, below.

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## 5. Personnel Supported

Principal Investigator: Megan E. Jewett Ph.D.

## 6. Publications

*Peer-reviewed publications and abstracts submitted and/or accepted during the grant period:*

- 1) Jewett ME, Wyatt JK, Ritz-De Cecco A, Khalsa SB, Dijk, D-J, Czeisler CA. Time course of sleep inertia dissipation in human performance and alertness. *J. Sleep Res.* 1999;8:1-8.
- 2) Jewett ME, Dijk D-J, Kronauer RE, Dinges DF. Dose-response relationship between sleep duration and human psychomotor vigilance and subjective alertness. *Sleep* 1999;22:171-179.
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#### *Meeting Proceedings*

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## 7. Interactions/Transitions

*Participation/presentations at meetings, conferences, seminars, etc.*

- 1) **Invited Workshop Speaker**, *Workshop on Biomathematical Models of Circadian Rhythmicity, Sleep Regulation and Neurobehavioral Function in Humans*, May 1999, Dedham, MA. "Quantifying human circadian pacemaker response to brief, extended and repeated light episodes over the photopic range".
- 2) **Invited Workshop Speaker**, *Workshop on Biomathematical Models of Circadian Rhythmicity, Sleep Regulation and Neurobehavioral Function in Humans*, May 1999, Dedham, MA. "Interactive mathematical models of subjective alertness and cognitive throughput in humans".
- 3) **Invited Workshop Speaker**, *Workshop on Biomathematical Models of Circadian Rhythmicity, Sleep Regulation and Neurobehavioral Function in Humans*, May 1999, Dedham, MA. "Comparison of model predictions of experimental protocols".
- 4) **Invited Symposium Speaker**: *Society for Research on Biological Rhythms*, May 2000, "Are circadian models medically useful?" for symposium "Construction of Circadian Models".
- 5) **Invited Speaker**: *National Space Biomedical Research Institute*, April 2001, Cambridge, MA. "Mathematical models of human circadian rhythms and neurobehavioral performance".
- 6) **Invited Speaker**: *Association of Professional Sleep Societies*, June 2001, for Discussion Group "Markers of 'sleep debt' accumulation and recovery: evidence for SWA, REM, TST?".
- 7) **Invited Speaker**: *Crew Alertness in Ultra Long-Range Operations*, March 2002, Paris, France. "Performance model simulations of ULR flights: results and recommendations."
- 8) **Invited Workshop Speaker**: *Society for Research on Biological Rhythms*, May 2002, "Models of light entrainment" for Workshop "Entrainment in humans: what does it take?"
- 9) **Invited Speaker**: *Fatigue and Performance Modeling Workshop*, June 2002, Seattle, WA. "Interactive neurobehavioral model."

*Consultative and advisory functions to other laboratories and agencies*

None, except as above under participation/presentation at meetings, conferences, seminars etc.

*Transitions*

Circadian Performance Simulation Software (CPSS), as described in the accomplishments/new findings section, has been distributed to 134 sites (10% industry, 30% governmental agency, 30% university related research institution, and 30% individuals). It is being used to evaluate protocols and work schedules, including evaluation of the quarantine portion of shuttle mission astronauts before launch.

**8. New discoveries, inventions or patent disclosures**

No inventions or patent disclosures.

**9. Honors and Awards**

- 1) **Research Merit Travel Award**, American Professional Sleep Societies, 1999.
- 2) **Trainee Research Excellence Award**, American Professional Sleep Societies, 1999.